

DECLARATION OF JOINT INVENTORS FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original, first, and joint inventor of the claimed subject matter for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "Suture Based Vascular Closure Apparatus and Method Incorporating a Pre-Tied Knot" described in the specification.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

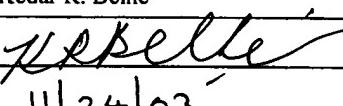
I acknowledge the duty to disclose information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56.

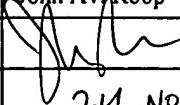
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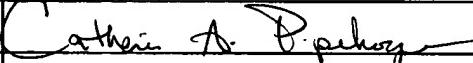
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued therefrom.

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